

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Verification, Consolidation, and Approval of Costs and Revenues in the Transition Revenue Account.	Application 98-07-003 (Implementation of Suspension of Direct Access and Other Matters)
Application of Southern California Edison Company (E 3338-E) for Authority to Institute a Rate Stabilization Plan with a Rate Increase and End of Rate Freeze Tariffs.	Application 00-11-038 (Filed November 16, 2000)
Emergency Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company to Adopt a Rate Stabilization Plan. (U 39 E)	Application 00-11-056 (Filed November 22, 2000)
Petition of THE UTILITY REFORM NETWORK for Modification of Resolution E-3527.	Application 00-10-028 (Filed October 17, 2000)

**JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
TRANSFERRING ISSUE OF COST RESPONSIBILITY OF DIRECT ACCESS
CUSTOMERS FOR DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES' REVENUE
REQUIREMENT FROM A.98-07-003 ET AL. TO A.00-11-058 ET AL.**

On December 12, 2001, at the prehearing conference (PHC) held in Application (A.) 98-07-003 et al., parties discussed the issue of cost responsibility of direct access customers for the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) revenue requirement. This approach was confirmed by ruling dated December 17. This issue was also raised in hearings in A.00-11-038 et al.

regarding allocation of DWR's revenue requirement. After discussing this issue and coordinating with the assigned Commissioners, we have determined that the issue of the cost responsibility of direct access customers for Department of Water Resources' revenue requirement will be considered in A.00-11-038 et al. We will retain the dates for discovery that were discussed at the PHC in A.98-07-003 et al. Therefore, the utilities shall submit their data requests to DWR by December 28, 2001 and DWR should respond to all such data requests by January 31, 2002. The assigned Administrative Law Judge will set a PHC in A.00-11-038 et al. as necessary. The February 5 PHC to be held in A.98-07-003 et al. is removed from the Commission's Daily Calendar.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The issue of the cost responsibility of direct access customers for Department of Water Resources' (DWR) revenue requirement shall be transferred from Application (A.) 98-07-003et al. into A.00-11-038 et al.
2. We will retain the dates for discovery that were discussed at the prehearing conference (PHC) in A.98-07-003 et al. Therefore, the utilities shall submit their data requests to DWR by December 28, 2001 and DWR should respond to all such data requests by January 31, 2002. The assigned Administrative Law Judge will set a PHC in A.00-11-038 et al. as necessary.
3. The February 5 PHC to be held in A.98-07-003 et al. is removed from the Commission's Daily Calendar.
4. A.98-07-003 et al. and A.00-11-038 et al. are not consolidated.

Dated December 24, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/S/ THOMAS R. PULSIFER
Thomas R. Pulsifer
Administrative Law Judge

ROBERT BARNETT (by ang)
Robert Barnett
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Joint Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Transferring the Issue of Cost Responsibility of Direct Access Customers for Department of Water Resources' Revenue Requirement from A.98-07-003 et al. to A.00-11-038 et al. on all parties of record in these proceedings or their attorneys of record.

Dated December 24, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ERLINDA PULMANO

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